Statement

No. of deaths due to Cholera from January, 1988 to 1.10.1988

Name of State/U.T.	No. of Deaths (Provisional)
1. Andhra Pradesh	—
2. Arunachal Pradesh	+
3. Assam	+
4. Bihar	+
5. Goa	+
6. Gujarat	23
7. Haryana	1
8. Himachal Pradesh	+
9. Jammu & Kashmir	+
10. Karnataka	65
11. Kerala	47
12. Madhya Pradesh	+
13. Maharashtra	24
14. Manipur	+
15. Meghalaya	—
16. Mizoram	—
17. Nagaland	+
18. Orissa	2
19. Punjab	4
20 Rajasthan	1
21. Sikkim	+
22. Tamil Nadu	17
23. Tripura	—
24. Uttar Pradesh	4
25. West Bengal	—
26. A & N Islands	+
27. Chandigarh	—
28. Dadra & Nagar Haveli	+
29. Delhi	8
30. Lakshdweep	+
31. Pondicherry	+
TOTAL	196

Data provisional

\+ — Information not available

— — Nil

Visit of Central Director (Joint) to Dhoki Primary Centre, Usmanabad

403. DR. BAPU KALDATE. Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Director (Joint) of Family Planning Department visited Dhoki Primary Centre in Usmanabad, Maharashtra on the 29th, 30th and 31st August, 1988;

(b) whether the Joint Director was on investigation of Dhoki Primary Centre;

(c) whether the Editor of Wargladha (Marathi Weekly) of Sholapur has complained to the Ministry about the misbehaviour of this Joint Director with the Centre's Lady Dr. and nurses; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) and (b) An evaluation team of Regional Director of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Pune region, Pune, missited the Dhoki Primary Health Centre on 29th, 30th and 31st August, 1988.

(c) and (d) No complaints have been received from the Editor of Wargladha (Marathi Weekly) of Sholapur. The Lady Dr. and nurses at the Centre have also not made any complaint to any officials of the Maharashtra State Government.

Ex-servicemen in the Country

404. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of ex-servicemen in the country at present;

(b) what are the various schemes for the resettlement of ex-servicemen; and

(c) the number of jobless ex-servicemen in the country and the steps taken by Government to provide them with job?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANNI PANIGRAHI): (a) There has been no census of ex-servicemen in the country. However, according to the estimates received from the States|Union Territories, there are about 43.73 lakhs ex-servicemen in the country at present.

(b) and (c) A statement is attached.

Statement

1. The number of ex-servicemen on the live registers in the Rajya/Zila Sainik Boards seeking employment is about 2.5 lakhs.

2. The various schemes for resettlement of ex-servicemen and the steps taken to improve their rehabilitation are given below:—

(i) There is reservation for ex-servicemen in recruitment to Group C and D posts in Central Government, Central Public Sector Undertakings and most of the State Governments. Orders have been issued by the Department of Personnel and Training for polling of vacancies, special recruitment drives, intimation of vacancies to Director General of Resettlement (DGR) three months in advance of recruitment giving 30 days clear notice to D.G.R. before de-reservation and carry forward of unutilised vacancies for one year.

(ii) Periodic reviews are held for implementation of these orders and fuller utilisation of reserved vacancies.

(iii) Training courses are organised in various disciplines in Government and private institutions to improve the employability of ex-servicemen so that they can seek jobs or take to self-employment. The scheme PEXSEM (Preparing Ex-servicemen for Self-employment) has been introduced in 28 districts.

(iv) Several States have provided for reservation|priority in allotment of industrial plots|sheds. There is also reservation|priority in allotment of fertiliser agencies, Oil product agencies, Mother Dairy|DMS Milk booths, Fruit and Vegetable Shops, fair price shops, Jai Jawan Stalls, UTI agencies, 3-wheeler scooters, tractors and army surplus vehicles.

(v) Ex-servicemen Associations| Companies are sponsored for taking up security services, transportation of coal and oil products and communication services.

(vi) Ordnance Factories give preference for ex-servicemen enterprises for supply of items shifted to civil sector and for setting up ancillary industries. Ex-servicemen cooperatives are encouraged for supply of items bought by the Army Purchase Organisation.

(vii) Interest subsidy is available on bank loans upto Rs. 50,000/- for a period of 3 years for self-employment ventures. Price subsidy of 10 per cent is available for 5 years for ex-servicemen units for items supplied to Ministry of Defence.

(viii) The scheme Self Employment for Ex-servicemen, SEMFEX-I has been started from 1-4-1987 in collaboration with IDBI for taking up small scale industries, transport services etc. upto a project cost of Rs. 12 lakhs. While 10 per cent will be promoter's contribution, 15 per cent of the cost will be given as a Soft Seed capital loan and the remaining 75 per cent will be a term loan to be sanctioned by State Financial Corporations. Another Scheme, SEMFEX-II has been started from 15-1-1988 with the help of NABARD for providing loans for agriculture and allied activities as well as for non-farm activities in rural areas like specified villages, cottage, tiny and small scale industries upto a project cost of Rs. 5 lakhs.

Construction of Indira Gandhi Canal in Rajasthan

405. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of money spent on the construction of phase-one of the Indira